

HUNS GIVE WAY ON 75-MILE FRONT

French Break Back of Teuton Resistance Between Somme and Oise. Counter Attacks Futile.

A dispatch from the Kansas City Post at 4:30 Wednesday afternoon says that the allies have captured or will capture before night the towns of Albert, Roye and Baupreme, and the German troops were showing every evidence of panic and a rout on a big scale might be looked for at any time.

According to Associated Press dispatches the German line is giving way before the steady pressure of the Allied troops on the front between Somme and the Oise.

Numerous towns, villages and hamlets have fallen into the hands of the British and French in the continuation of the fighting and scarcely anywhere along the battle front have the Germans been able to do more than delay the allies when they knock for admittance to the German line.

Rear guard actions, in which innumerable guns are used, are serving merely to keep the allied advance slowed down as far as possible while the main German bodies make their way eastward in retreat toward new positions.

In the region around Arras the British are well astride the roads leading to Douai and Cambrai, and further south along the Somme they have pressed forward until they are almost at the gates of Peronne.

Between the Somme and the Oise the French have broken the backbone of the German resistance at Roye, capturing this pivotal point to an invasion eastward of the plains of Picardy and advancing their lines north and south of the town over a front of about twelve and one-half miles to a depth of more than two and one-half miles at certain points.

North of Soissons the French, although the Germans are fighting them bitterly, again have advanced slightly their line in the outflanking movement both against the Chemin des Dames region and the Noyen sector.

Everywhere the Germans lost heavily in men killed or made prisoner, and in addition the allied troops again have captured numerous guns, machine guns and war stores. The prisoners taken by the British from last Wednesday to Monday of the present week aggregated 21,000.

Cornland.

Yes, we went to the circus.

Cleo Simpson is visiting her sister, Mrs. Orland Eggleston, in town.

Dona and Olevia Spier are visiting at Ulrich, their old home town.

A few of the young folks attended the party at Jim Morris' Saturday night.

Frank Turner left Friday night for Modesto, Illinois, where he will spend some time with relatives and old friends.

Ray Morrison was in Foster Sunday evening.

Claude Adams is back from Iowa for a visit. He spent Saturday night and Sunday with Lawrence Turner.

Merritt Pickett and family spent Sunday at Fred Medley's.

Mr. and Mrs. Major Evans and baby spent Sunday at Claude Burk's.

Fred Wright and Port Turner purchased a partnership in a corn binder this week.

Mrs. Frank Sarius, Harry and Carrie Sarius of Metz, Miss Pearl Sarius of Brington, Illinois, and Mrs. Lipold of Alton, Illinois, were visitors at Turners Wednesday evening.

MORE REGULAR PAY FOR TROOPS ASKED

Senators Also Urge Quicker Revelations of Casualty Lists From Overseas.

Washington, Aug. 24.—Members of the senate military affairs committee asked General March, chief of staff, today to take action to have all American troops, overseas or in the United States, paid at regular intervals. The senators told the General that they have found that many men failed to get their money when due and that this would cause hardships.

The chief of staff promised a complete investigation and immediate remedy of the conditions complained of. Senators also expressed a belief that the casualty lists were not coming through from France as fast as they might. It was stated by members later, however, that General March said that all casualty lists were made public without any delay.

THE SEPTEMBER CALLS 186,773

Missouri Troops to Texas and Kansas to Funston.

Washington, Aug. 24.—Four separate selective draft calls, constituting the first of the September calls and requiring 186,773 men to enter for training camps between August 30 and September 6, were issued tonight by Provost Marshal General Crowder. Every state and the District of Columbia is called on to furnish men for training to augment the forces abroad. For general military service 125,000 white men and 21,270 negroes are called; for limited service, 40,503 white men are called.

Missouri will send 5,600 white men to Camp McArthur, Tex., and 250 negroes to Camp Dodge, Ia. Kansas will send 4,500 white men and 107 negroes to Camp Funston.

Contractor Accused of Selling Intoxicants.

Friday of last week Sheriff Baker went to Nevada and arrested Roy Oceanbeam charged with the illegal sale and delivery of intoxicating liquors. He was brought to Butler and placed in jail, where he is awaiting trial. Oceanbeam is the sub-contractor who has been doing some grading for the Missouri Pacific at Athol, and it is charged that the liquor was furnished the men working for him.

Seth E. Cope Dead.

Seth E. Cope, one of Bates county's oldest and best known citizens, died at his home in New Home township Tuesday, after an illness extending over several weeks.

Seth Cope was born in Monroe county, Ohio, May 21, 1845. In 1847 the family moved to Iowa and in 1851 to Missouri and located in Clark county. In 1862 he went to Kansas where he remained until the outbreak of the Civil war when he enlisted in Co. E 11th Kansas Cavalry. At the close of the war he came to Bates county and in 1867 located on the farm where he has since resided. In 1865 he was united in marriage to Miss Gussie Littlefield, to which union was born two children, both of whom are still living. They are: John Logan Cope, of New Home township, and a daughter, who is married and now lives in Iowa.

The funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon, under the auspices of the Masonic lodge, of which he had long been a member and interment made in the cemetery at Foster.

In his long residence in this county he has helped to build up her social and political institutions and has always been active in any move that had for its object the betterment of the community. In politics he was a Republican and up to within the last few years has wielded a great influence in the councils of his party. His acquaintance was very extended and it is doubtful if there is another man in the county who possessed the personal friendship of more men than did Seth E. Cope.

An Old Landmark Burned.

Wednesday morning, about three o'clock, the two story residence in the southwest part of the city, known as the McMan property was by the neighbors discovered to be on fire. The alarm was turned in, but before the department arrived the fire had gained such a headway that neither the building or the contents could be saved. The property, which was owned by Frank Vance, who had purchased it in the last day or two, was occupied by a family named Staley, who for the last few days had been away on a visit, so that at the time of the fire no one was in the house, and no one knows how the fire started.

The building was formerly the old Pickett hotel and was perhaps the first building erected on the square after the close of the war. It stood until about thirty years ago on the southwest corner of the square where the T. L. Pettys grocery store now is. For several years immediately after the close of the war the old Pickett house was one of the most popular hostleries in this part of the state and many of the old time business men of that day boarded there. The stage coaches from LaCygne, Kansas, Pleasant Hill and Appleton City stopped at its doors.

Mrs. Flavius Tygard And Son Buried Here.

The bodies of Mrs. Lucile Tygard and son, James Tygard, arrived here from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Wednesday night of last week and were taken to the home of Mrs. Mabel Griffith, on West Ft. Scott street. Thursday funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Chancellor of Sedalia, and interment made in Oak Hill cemetery. Both mother and son had died of typhoid fever, he on Saturday night, August 17, and the mother followed on the following Monday.

The bodies were accompanied by the husband and father, W. F. Tygard, Jr., and his sister, Miss Lucile Tygard, Mr. and Mrs. Bert S. Buckridge, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Warren, of Oklahoma City, and Mrs. Tygard's mother, Mrs. R. Coppage, of Kansas City, and son, Elmo Coppage, of El Paso, Texas.

Farm for Sale.

The W. H. Ewin farm of 70 acres, 2 1/2 miles northeast of Virginia. Four room house, good barn and out-buildings. \$65 per acre. 40 acres good farm land in the same neighborhood. \$35 per acre.

Inquire C. S. Ewin, Butler, Missouri. 44-4t

Monday Labor Day.

Monday, September 1, is Labor Day, a legal holiday, and there will be no delivery by the usual route carriers. The city carriers will make one delivery, in the morning, and the postoffice will be closed all day except from 8 to 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

LETTER FROM THE FAR WEST

H. G. Requa Tells What a Fine Time He is Having in Idaho.

Kimberly, Idaho, August 23, 1918.

Editor Times:

Find enclosed \$1.00 check for The Times for one year. We like to get the news. Am sorry it has been so dry. A good wheat crop helps, but it takes a corn crop to bring in the money. We are well satisfied with this country. Have just returned from a 10 days camp and hunting and fishing trip, 325 miles by the Henry Ford route. Had a lovely time. Had fish and squirrel to eat. We drove the Ford 8,000 feet high on Galena Summit and camped two nights at the foot of Balds Peak. We enjoyed the warm spring baths and on our return home we visited the famous ice cave and came through the lovely Hagerman Valley that is so famous for fruit and vegetables. We feasted on the watermelons that were very cheap and plentiful.

To say that we would like to see some of the Bates county friends and entertain them for a while and show them this beautiful country and lovely sights would be putting it entirely too mild.

Very respectfully,
H. G. Requa.

10 AMERICANS KILLED IN BATTLE WITH MEXICANS

Mexicans Fire on U. S. Troops Who Pursue Them Across the Line.

Nogales, Ariz., August 27.—Lieut. Col. Frederick J. Herman, commanding troops at Nogales, was among fifteen American soldiers wounded in a two-hour fight with Mexicans which started when United States sentries were fired upon today by Mexicans. Several hundred troops engaged the Mexicans and drove them well back into their town.

Casualties on the Mexican side, according to a late report, were over 100 killed and wounded. The Americans killed are said to be between ten and twenty.

The fighting began about 4 o'clock and was general for about an hour and a half.

In pursuing the Mexicans, the American troops did not stop at the boundary line, but continued for two blocks into the Mexican town. Word was received from Fort Huachuca that reinforcements were being hurried toward Nogales and would be here by tomorrow morning.

The American soldiers fired from house-tops and other points of vantage. The casualties are not known at this time. The Mexicans hoisted a flag of truce, but continued firing and sniping was going on at 7 p. m.

Bullets were dropping thick and fast in Nogales, Ariz. Gaston Reddock, a civilian, was wounded. A conference has been called between American and Mexican officials.

The trouble was supposed to have started as a result of an attempt on the part of a Mexican immigration official to pass a fellow countryman across the border illegally.

American sentries drew guns and Mexicans, apparently fully armed, came from all directions and aimed the Mexicans on the line until they were driven back.

Man Who Sank Lusitania Missing for Over Year.

London, England, Aug. 24.—It has become known that Capt. Schwieger, who commanded the submarine that sank the Lusitania, has been missing since September, 1917.

On that date he was in command of the U-88 and was going out in company with another U-boat, when the other boat heard a chain scraping alongside. The commander of the other boat realized that they were in a British mine field.

Almost immediately afterwards he heard a tremendous explosion and decided it would be safer to come to the surface, and on doing so, nothing was to be seen of the U-88. From that moment it has never been heard of.

The Walker-McKibben Fire Sale.

The big Walker-McKibben fire sale, that closed Saturday evening was one of the most successful sales of that kind ever held in this city. The first day of the sale the people that came to find bargains could not all get into the store, and from that time until the close of the sale the large force of salespeople were kept busy waiting on the bargain hunters. The sale had been well advertised and that, together with the Walker-McKibben reputation for good goods and fair dealing, brought the people in droves from all parts of the county and many from adjoining counties. A large part of the goods offered for sale were only slightly damaged by water or smoke.

Price of Sugar to Rise.

Washington, Aug. 25.—Prospects for a slightly higher price for sugar to the consumer in the near future were forecast by the Food Administration today in announcing that a sugar equalization board, in order to minimize inequalities between the prices of the old and new crops, will purchase all sugar at the old price and sell to the holders at the new price. The increase to consumers, it has been said, will not amount to more than a cent.

The "Girls" Were in Good Hands.

Paris, August 27.—The American soldiers in France are having a tough time with the French and German military names. "Hey, Jack," shouted Corporal Ben Adams, of the U. S. Marines, gleefully to a pal of his, "the Marines have captured two 'Minnie Werfers'." "S'all right," answered his pal, a sergeant of Marines, "the Werfers girls may rest assured they will be in good hands."

Horses Taken Up.

I have taken up one bay driving mare, 3 white feet; 1 bay colt, 2 or 3 years old, had halter on. Taken up Saturday, August 17. Now at my place, 1 mile east and 2 miles south of Virginia. 46-1t

G. C. Seymour.

Allen-Blaser.

Mr. Earl F. Allen and Miss Ida E. Blaser, prominent young people of Adrian, were united in marriage in this city Thursday evening at 5 o'clock at the parsonage of the Ohio Street M. E. church, the Rev. A. J. Cutrell officiating.

Banks and Trust Companies Will Not Open Monday.

On account of Monday, September 1, being a legal holiday, Labor Day, the banks and trust companies of this city will remain closed all day.

Enlarge Cutter for Sale.

Pre-war prices. Peoples Elevator Co., Butler, Mo. 46-3t

An airplane passed over east of town Tuesday afternoon, flying perhaps half a mile high. People living in the vicinity of Chas. Kellands saw the machine and state that it was going southwest at a great rate of speed. —Montrose Recorder.

LAST CHANCE

AT

\$1.00

On and after September 1, 1918, the subscription price of

The Butler Weekly Times

WILL BE

\$1.50 PER YEAR IN ADVANCE

This increase in price has been made necessary by the increased cost of every item going into the making of a newspaper and by the new postal law going into effect July 1, which more than doubles the postage rate on the paper.

Renewals of subscription at the old rate of \$1.00 per year will be received up to and including September 1, 1918. After that date the price will be \$1.50 per year. Subscribers in arrears can get the benefit of the old rate by paying arrearages and for one year in advance.

Do It Now

TAX PROFITS 80 PER CENT

House Committee Moves Nearer Its 8 Billion Dollar Goal.

Washington, Aug. 16.—An 8 per cent exemption, in addition to a specific exemption on the excess profits of corporations, with a tax of 40 per cent on all excess profits between 8 per cent and 20 per cent, and a tax of 60 per cent on all excess profits exceeding 20 per cent, was agreed upon today by the House ways and means committee. The committee, in writing this schedule into the 8 billion dollar Revenue Bill, also adopted the Treasury's alternative plan for a flat 80 per cent tax on war profits. The committee agreed to three classifications of business for purposes of deduction from the war profits. Financial and transportation corporations, 8 per cent; manufacturing, farming and general business, 10 per cent, and mining and kindred hazardous business, 12 per cent. Ninety per cent of business corporations, it is estimated, will be affected by the war profits tax and the remainder by the excess profits tax.

Estimates show excess and war profits taxes will yield a total of 3 billion dollars, which would bring the total of the bill much nearer the 8 billion dollar goal.

Navy Will Give Furlough to Those Who Have Crops Needing Attention.

The navy department has made arrangements whereby farmer boys can be enlisted and then be granted a furlough to go home long enough to help thresh crops.

This is effective at once, and recruits may be sent to St. Louis by the postmasters the same as usual, after they are examined by a local physician; and if needed at home for farm work, they can have sufficient time off before being ordered to training camp; time off to be determined by Recruiting Officer at Saint Louis.

Previous announcements of this nature were due to a temporary crowded condition of the training camps, lasting but a few days, when all recruits were sent home on waiting orders.

This is a special furlough privilege for farm boys only, and will probably remain in effect for the rest of the summer, because the Navy recognizes the priceless value of crops in winning the war, and the scarcity of farm hands.

Farm boys who are registered should ask their local boards now for written permission to volunteer in the Navy, and bring it with them to Saint Louis.

KILLED NINE OFF HATTERAS

The British Tanker Mirlo Torpedoed by a U-Boat.

Beaufort, N. C., Aug. 17.—The British tank steamship Mirlo was torpedoed by a German submarine off Cape Hatteras last night, and, according to reports reaching here today, nine members of her crew were drowned.

All the other members of the Mirlo's crew were saved by coast guards and have been brought safely to shore. They said the torpedo struck the vessel amidships and that soon afterward the cargo of gasoline exploded, setting fire to the ship and compelling them to jump for their lives.

As the Mirlo was torpedoed only a few miles off shore, the crew from coast guard station No. 178 reached the scene in a short time and picked up the survivors. All except nine men were accounted for. The surface of the sea for five miles around was covered with burning gasoline.

Dale Jones Killed?

Wednesday morning of last week a gang of bandits blew open the safe of the Greeley Bank, at Greeley, Kansas, and made away with from \$2,500 to \$3,000. A posse was quickly formed and a running fight with the robbers took place, during which four members of the posse were wounded. One of the robbers was seen to fall, but his companions picked him up and placed him in an automobile in which they made their escape. It is believed that the wounded robber was Dale Jones, who the police have sought since June 12 as the leader of the band who robbed the Katy express near Paola, Kansas. The dispatches do not say why the authorities think that the wounded man was Jones.

TROOPS LAND IN SIBERIA

The 27th Infantry at Vladivostok From Manila.

Washington, Aug. 15.—American troops today began to disembark at Vladivostok and immediately will join the international force to aid the Czech-Slovak Army in its campaign in Siberia. The Americans compose the 27th Regular Infantry Regiment from Manila and will be followed by another regiment from the Philippines and additional troops from the United States.

The 27th Infantry has not been recruited to war strength and the exact number of men is not definitely known here, but it is estimated at from twelve hundred to fifteen hundred men. Col. Henry D. Styer commands the regiment. The entire American force will be under Major General Graves, who has been commanding a regular army division in Camp Kearny, Cal.

LODGE DIRECTORY.

Knights Templar — Gouley Commandery No. 30 meets second Saturday night in each month in hall in Fraternal Inn.

Women of The World—Maple at the call of the Foreign Commander.

Confederate Veterans Marmaduke Duke Camp, No. 61b, meets at the call of the commander.

A. A. Bates Post, No. 68, meets at the City Hall on the first Saturday in each month at 2 p. m.

American Yeoman Meets at the call of the Foreman in the Knights of Pythias Hall.

National Americans Meets second Monday night in each month at Woodman Hall.

I. O. O. F. Meets every Monday night in hall over Fraternal Inn.

Butler Encampment Meets second and fourth Tuesday night in each month at hall in Fraternal Inn.

Miami R. A. Chapter Stated meetings on second and fourth Thursday nights in each month in hall in Fraternal Inn.

Royal and Select Masters—Butler Council, No. 22, meets on the second Tuesday in each month in hall in Fraternal Inn.

A. F. and A. M.—Meets first and third Saturday night in each month at hall in Fraternal Inn.

Modern Woodmen—Butler Camp, No. 2468, meets first and third Thursday nights in each month at hall on south side of square.

Royal Neighbors—Meet in Woodman Hall on south side of square first and third Monday nights in each month.

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks—Meets second Tuesday night of each month at hall, corner of Main and Ohio Streets.

Knights and Ladies of Security Meet second and fourth Tuesday night in each month at hall, corner of Main and Ohio Streets.

Knights of Pythias—Blue Flag Lodge, No. 190, meets each Friday night at Castle Hall on south side of square.

Fraternal Aid Association Hope Council, No. 382, meets first and third Tuesday nights in each month.

Daughters of Rebekah Carnation Lodge meets the second and fourth Thursday in each month in hall in Fraternal Inn.

Order of Owls Butler Post, No. 1054, meets at call of the president.

The government has taken over the Osceola and Lowry City telephone exchanges. Just what effect this action will have on the rural connections we do not know, but it is likely that they will be disconnected from the town exchanges or the rates increased.—St. Clair County Democrat.